[22nd October 1927

Local Boards

Qualification of clerks under local bodies.

* 852 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether any qualification is insisted upon for being eligible for service as clerks under the local bodies; and

(b) if so, what it is?

A.—(a) & (b) The following qualifications have been prescribed for head clerks and head accountants of local board offices and municipal offices:—

Local board offices.	Municipal offices.
(1) A complete Secondary School-Leaving Certificate or the Matriculation Examination of the Madras University or a corresponding examination of any University; and	(1) A complete Secondary School-Leaving Certificate the holder of which is declared to be eligible for the University course or the Matriculation Examination of the Madras University or a corresponding examination of any other University; and
(2) Account test.	(2) Account test.

None are prescribed for other clerks.

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao:—"With reference to the last sentence of the answer, may I know whether the hon. Minister is prepared to consider the question of prescribing some test, some qualification for all the clerks concerned?"

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan:—"I shall have that matter looked into."

Alleged harsh treatment of certain mistresses in Ponnani Taluk Board schools.

* 853 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha: With reference to my question No. 203 answered on 26th August 1927 on the subject of the alleged harsh treatment of certain mistresses in Ponnani Taluk Board schools, will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state what action Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

A.—No action has been or is proposed to be taken in the matter.

Proposed road along the middle of the Netravati railway bridge.

* 854 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: With reference to Mr. J. A. Saldanha's question No. 307 answered on 27th August 1927, will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the South Kanara District Advancement Association has in its letter, dated 9th August 1927, addressed to the Secretary to Government, Local Self-Government Department, suggested that the proposed road might be laid along the middle of the Netravati railway bridge and kept open for public traffic during only such hours as will not interrupt the train services;